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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully requests that the period for responding to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003 be extended for two months from December 10, 2003 to February 10, 2004.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct the two month extension of time fee of \$420.00 from Deposit Account No. 08-0219. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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